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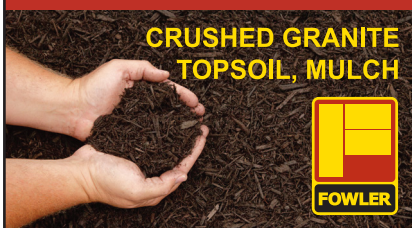
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Pond hockey tournament in the works

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Staff Reporter

Pond hockey will be returning to Haliburton County.

Or at least that's the plan.

"It's still a work in progress," says Minden Hills resident John Teljeur. "We're just finalizing with sponsors. Obviously, the seed money is needed to get started."

Teljeur was one of the organizers of the Canadian Pond Hockey Championships when they were held in Haliburton County during the winters of 2013 and 2014.

After Haliburton County council turned down a request from J-Core Marketing, the company behind the tournament, to contribute \$25,000 a year for three years toward the event, the tournament was moved to Huntsville, where it will be held again this upcoming year.

Teljeur, now general manager of the Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre, is working on a similar tournament that would be separate from the Canadian Pond Hockey Championships.

His plan is draw 100 teams – "which is equal to or greater than what we had in the past" – and host games on the pond at the Pinestone, and potentially Head Lake as well.

"I have no intention of making this a small event," Teljeur said.

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Supporting our skatepark

Seven-year-old phenom Taze Wilson was ripping it up at the skatepark in Haliburton on Sept. 12. The Municipality of Dysart et al is on a \$100,000 fundraising campaign to build the new Junction Skatepark off Maple Avenue near the library. More on page 12. CHAD INGRAM Staff



Highlands East potential site for affordable housing

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff Reporter

Affordable housing organization Places for People is looking for its next project and has the municipality of Highlands East on its radar.

Two of the organization's board members, John Rogers and Max Ward, made a presentation to Highlands East councillors at their Sept. 14 meeting, giving a brief overview of Places for People and how their housing model works.

To date, the agency has acquired three existing homes in the county, located in Haliburton Village, Minden and Carnarvon, and renovated them, turning them into rental units.

The units have then been rented out to candidates selected by the organization.

"Three of our former tenants are now proud owners of their own home," said Rogers.

The board member said the organization is in a very strong financial position at the present time and is looking ahead to its next project.

"You saw that out of the three projects we have none of them are in Highlands East at the present time," said Rogers. "We are now wanting to focus on Highlands East as the next project we're involved in."

Rogers and Ward asked councillors for

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Ringing in a record reign

John Postlethwaite, a member of the St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton for 45 years, rings the church's bell on Sept. 9, at 12:30 p.m. for more than three minutes in recognition of Queen Elizabeth II and her record setting reign of the British empire that has lasted 63 years and 217 days. This reign surpasses her great-great grandmother Queen Victoria's previous record. DARREN LUM

Laurie Scott given new title as MPP heads back to Queen's Park

ANGELICA INGRAM
Staff Reporter

As Ontario MPPs head back to the provincial legislature this week, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock representative Laurie Scott will be wearing a new hat.

Following a shuffle by PC party leader Patrick Brown, last week Scott was assigned deputy house leader by the new party leader.

The position will bring about a big learning curve for the MPP, who will working alongside house leader Jim Wilson, who was recently interim leader of the PC party.

"It's a lot of rules and regulations and I oversee committees," said Scott. "I'm on a couple committees myself but then I oversee if the committees are moving along and [look at] pieces of legislation to be discussed ... and what topics we tackle in the legislature for questions. It's like a strategy position."

This is the first time Scott has held this position, having been the deputy whip in the past.

Scott will continue to fill her role as critic for women's issues, and will add critic for citizenship, immigration and international trade to her portfolio as well.

She already has some ideas for improving this area of the government.

"I think some of the immigration programs that we run provincially can be updated," she said. "There might be more ability to respond to certain needs that we have, such as skilled trades or economic or investments ... anything that leads to job creation we want to encourage."

Scott also points to foreign credentialing as something that could be streamlined through cooperation between regulatory bodies, such as the Ministry of Education.

"I ran into a dentist in our riding [from out of country] ... who had to retrain just as a dental hygienist themselves and that's all they can work at for the moment," she said.

The MPP will also continue her work on the select committee on sexual violence and harassment, an effort she spearheaded following the Jian Ghomeshi scandal.

Scott is looking forward to the challenges ahead and returning to the legislature following a year of upheaval for the PC party, with the recent party leader election in the spring and Brown's bi-election this summer.

"Now that we all have our new roles and portfolios we know what to focus on," she said. "We're excited to get on with it."

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New county tourism website to debut later this month

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed during county advisory committee meetings on Sept. 9.

Haliburton County's new tourism website will go live later this month, likely the week of Sept. 21, tourism director Amanda Virtanen told councillors on the municipality's tourism committee.

Back in May, Virtanen had told councillors she was unhappy with the low traffic to the county's existing tourism site, as well as the staff headaches and cumbersome process with updating content, which required the assistance of the Vaughan company that built the site for the county in 2012 for \$25,700.

Virtanen built the new site using a Wordpress template. With a black background, it incorporates the county's #MyHaliburtonHighlands branding and has sections for adventure, arts and culture, etc., as well as a link to the chamber of commerce's business directory and a restaurant listing.

"I think it's fairly simple . . . it's something we can add to over time," Virtanen said.

Committee members seemed pleased with the result. "It's very mobile-friendly," said Minden Hills Reeve Brent Devolin, reiterating this is something he'd asked for. "Thank you."

Looking for a sign

Tourism director Amanda Virtanen told the tourism committee there was a holdup with approval of the municipality's new gateway signage, which are black billboards bearing the #MyHaliburtonHighlands brand.

As Virtanen explained, there is some reluctance with the province's tourism-oriented directional signs (TODS) program, where officials apparently don't like the signs' aesthetics, and would prefer images of rocks, trees, etc.

"Like everybody else," quipped Highlands East Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge.

Committee members seemed to agree the appearance of the signs should really be none of the province's business.

"The decision has been made and it is our brand," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen.

"Our goal is to have these installed this fall and we will work towards that," said chief administrative officer Mike Rutter, adding that a meeting was to be set up with the TODS people and county staff.

Danielsen said there should be some political representation at that meeting as well.

Virtanen said it is likely the province will not permit the hash tag, part of the #MyHaliburtonHighlands logo, on the signage.

Tournament planned for this January

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The tournament would likely be scheduled for Jan. 21 through 23.

With six players per team, that would be 600 players alone, plus entourages, if everything goes according to plan.

It would mean economic spinoff for the community, according to Teljeur.

"We can't possibly sleep that many people here [at Pinestone]," he said.

Teljeur said the event would be charitable, raising funds, likely for kids' food and recreation programming.

His hope is the event can be funded privately and eventually become self-sustaining and at this point, does not plan to request municipal funding.

"My preference is to not have that happen," he said.

Teljeur said he's also working with some former NHL players, trying to secure their involvement.

While he didn't want to name players, "they're fairly recognizable, household names," he said.

The Canadian Pond Hockey Championships brought about 1,500 people to play hockey on Haliburton Village's Head Lake over two weekends in each of the winters of 2013 and 2014, drawing support from more than 100 volunteers.

Teljeur said he hoped to know with certainty within the next couple of weeks whether the event would proceed.



Haliburton gets Hockeyville funds

Kraft Heinz Foods sales representative Scott Armstrong, front left, officially presents the Kraft Hockeyville Contest \$25,000 cheque to the municipality of Dysart et al Deputy reeve Andrea Roberts, Haliburton resident Bob Stinson, whose nominated story was submitted for the contest, chief administrative officer Tamara Wilbee, municipal recreation co-ordinator Andrea Mueller and director of parks and recreation Ray Miscio. Dysart finished as a top-10 finalist in the annual contest to decide which town is the ultimate hockey community in Canada. The money (received a month ago) has already paid for insulation on the far wall and the heating units, which will be installed later this month and heat the entire stands. DARREN LUM Staff

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Council talks housing with group

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their assistance in finding a suitable location for a housing project.

"We would welcome any suggestions you folks might have," said Rogers. "You have great connections in the community."

Rogers said the organizations prefers the location not be too isolated, allowing the tenants to walk to amenities and employment.

Reeve Dave Burton suggested the organization work with the municipality's housing and grants committee.

Councillor Cec Ryall asked what type of size and configuration would be preferred.

"A duplex is usually what we want," said Rogers, adding a mix of two or three bedrooms is typically what's desired.

The following are brief reports of items discussed during the Sept. 14 meeting of Highlands East council.

GeoTour No. 1

Organizers of the Highlands East GeoTour are over the moon with the success of their initiative, which was recently given the title of No. 1 tour in Canada and fifth in the world.

Committee members Mary Barker and Joanne Vanier presented a report to councillors on the tour's success thus far, saying it has been going really well.

"Our GeoTour is going phenomenal," said Vanier.

Debuted this May, the GeoTour has 100 caches set up throughout the municipality and to date the sites have been visited more than 8,000 times.

Along with doing the tour, visitors are spending money within the area at accommodators, eateries and more, said the committee members.

The committee has plans for the future of the tour, and will soon be scouting out new locations for caches.

"We want to keep the momentum going so we need to plan ahead," she said. "We need to keep putting more caches out there."

The committee members told councillors they would like to see an information booth in the area to help visitors coming to the area.

"We really feel like we need some kind of information desk," said Vanier.

Barker said a booklet has been created, as well as a map of the caches.

"The designation Geocaching Capital of Canada is a valuable tourism promotions tool for Highlands East," wrote the committee in their report to council.

"The geocaching committee has great ideas for expanding that tourism potential."

In order to expand, the committee would like to fall under the umbrella of the municipality, to assist with applying for grant funding.

Councillors passed a resolution designating the geocaching committee a committee of council.

Fire calls high this year

The fire department of Highlands East has seen its call numbers go up steadily this year.

Fire chief Bill Wingrove reported to council that to date the department had received 205 calls this year, compared to 163 calls this time last year.

For the month of August there was 35 calls.

"It's just over a call a day," said Wingrove, who added the numbers are the highest they've been in 10 years.

The majority of calls across all six stations are medical, according to Wingrove.

Purchases for medical centre

Councillors authorized an agreement with the Bancroft Family Health Team to allow for the purchase of medical equipment to be used by the nurse practitioner at the medical centre in Wilberforce.

The equipment includes an exam light, thermometer and medical cart. Money to pay for the items will be taken from the medical centre rent account.

The nurse practitioner will begin working at the medical centre as of Sept. 23, said chief administrative officer and treasurer Sharon Stoughton-Craig.

Patients do not need to have a Highlands East address to be eligible to sign on for the nurse practitioner, she said.

Minden man charged with stunt driving

On Wednesday, Sept. 9, just before 6 a.m. the OPP was patrolling County Road 21 when a motorist was observed travelling at a high rate of speed.

The officer measured the eastbound motor vehicle to be travelling at more than 50 km over the posted speed limit.

The driver, a 25-year-old man from Minden, has been charged with racing, contrary to the Highway Traffic Act. The vehicle was impounded and his driver's licence was seized and suspended for seven days, under the stunt driving legislation.

Speeding more than 50 km/h over posted speed limit is considered stunt racing. The penalties for stunt driving also include a fine between \$2,000 and \$10,000, possible driver's licence suspension up to two years on first conviction.

Three-day suspension

On Sept. 12 at approximately 4 a.m., an officer on patrol along County Road 503 at the intersection of County Road 507 in Highlands East stopped a grey van. The officer found that the driver had been drinking alcohol. A three-day driver's licence suspension was served following a warn range result at the road side.

A 22-year-old Scarborough man was also served with two alcohol-related notices.

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Plein Air Arts Festival takes painters outside

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Staff Reporter

John Mullenger sets up his easel as the bright sunlight creeps up over the tops of the trees nestled alongside the historic Irondale Church in Highlands East.

The painter begins sketching the building, a practice he typically does before picking up a paint brush, and realizes the light is all wrong.

Mullenger picks up his art supplies and moves over to the eastern side of the building, out of the sun and completely in the shadows, a much better position for lighting purposes.

Situated next to him is John Christie, who has begun painting the very top of the church, focusing in on the picturesque bell tower.

The pair are returning participants of the annual Highlands East Plein Air Arts Festival, an event they enjoy for a multitude of reasons.

A plein air painter for the past seven years, Mullenger travels from Burlington to participate in the event and looks forward to it every year.

"It's post Labour Day weekend so it's quieter in the area," he said, on one of the festival's benefits.

A retired business professional, Mullenger describes himself as a self-taught painter who is making art his semi-retirement career.

A member of the Ontario Plein Air Society, Mullenger estimates it can take him anywhere from two to four hours to complete a piece.

The artist is drawn to the plein air style because of the way scenery and landscapes are captured, he said.

"I like being outside, that's the main thing," he said. "I can look at a painting and tell you if it's done plein air or not. It just has a freshness to it that you can't get in the studio."

An initiative of the municipality, the festival is an extension of a similar event that was organized by local artist Tracey Green.

This year the festival took place from Sept. 10 to 13 throughout the eastern portion of the Haliburton Highlands, as painters captured area attractions such as Furnace Falls, the Essonville Church, Greens Mountain and more.

However not all of the artists chose to paint historic sites or locations, instead opting to wander the municipality in search of a breathtaking landscape or hidden treasure.

That is the beauty of the Plein Air Arts Festival, as the opportunities are abundant and endless. It's what keeps artists like Christie and Doug Ware coming back to the event.

An artist for most of his life, Ware's painting of Earle Barn was chosen to grace the cover of this year's festival brochure.

Ware has been painting since high school, going on to work with advertising firms.

"I've been doing it practically all my life," he said.

He enjoys participating in the Highlands East festival because it is well organized and he has made friends with the other artists.

But most of all he loves the venue.

"It's perfect," he said. "It's a great area ... it's close, it's three hours from Ottawa and a few hours from Toronto."

While most people worship the sun, plein air painters say too much sun can be a bad thing, as it affects their work negatively.

"It's hard to adjust the values and the light, that's why you need shade or an umbrella," said Ware.

Site selection is done with many things in mind, such as lighting, value, contrast and drama, said Mullenger, who uses oils and pastels to create his pieces.

Set up outside the historic church in Irondale, all three painters have seen and painted the site before, but that doesn't stop them from revisiting it this year.

"I got here [last year] and had about half an hour to set up and paint," said Christie. "I just did a really, really quick painting ... so I wanted to come back."

Although they all love plein air painting, the artists do admit there are drawbacks.

"You mean besides the mosquitoes and the cold and the heat and the rain?" joked Christie. "No there's no negatives."

But mosquitoes and elements aside, nothing beats capturing the beauty this world has to offer.

"People will say why do you paint plein air?" said Christie. "Well, when I'm in my studio I paint a painting of something. When I'm outside I'm painting this church, but I'm also painting the sound of that crow and I'm painting the cool and the dampness and all those things affect how I feel and they affect my painting."



Top, painter John Mullenger starts his art process by sketching the historic Irondale Church on the opening day of the Highlands East Plein Air Arts Festival on Sept. 10. Put on by the municipality, the three-day festival invites artists to explore the outdoors and paint sites and scenery such as Furnace Falls, Greenmantle Farms, the Essonville Church and more.

Left, John Christie starts his painting during an idyllic morning on Sept. 10 in Irondale during the annual Highlands East Plein Air Festival. Christie has been participating in the festival since its inception, enjoying the opportunity to work outside.

Above, paint supplies like brushes and easels were scattered all over Highlands East for the annual Plein Air Arts Festival that took place this past weekend. ANGELICA INGRAM Staff



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Park here

PASI POSTI SAID IT best when he described the skateboard park as akin to a concrete babysitter.

Haliburton's skateboard park is just that: a popular spot for area youth to meet up, hang out and chill (if the kids are still calling it that).

However, it is in need of a facelift, as the facility is starting to show its cracks and both Posti and Dysart are hoping to give it just that.

Recently rebranded as Junction Skatepark, the recreation facility on Maple Avenue hosted a well-attended fundraiser this past weekend organized by the municipality, taking the first step towards raising the \$100,000 needed for the project.

The event attracted not just typical users of the park, that being teenagers and kids, but community leaders who are supportive of the well-used facility and want to see it continue to thrive.

Because Posti is right, a skatepark is not a hangout for troublesome youth or rebellious teens, but instead a positive place for local kids and young adults to gather and stay active.

It's an attraction that not every town and village is fortunate to have and one we shouldn't take for granted.

A fresh face to the area, Posti has wasted no time getting involved in the community, whether it be through working on local projects, joining organizations or attending events and festivals.

Posti has in a way become the face of the skatepark project, whether he intended to or not, lending his skateboarding and professional expertise to the municipality.

It was exciting to see the Haliburton and District Lions Club throw their

support behind the fundraiser with their popular barbecue, as I'm almost certain none of its members are frequent users of the skatepark.

However, the club sees the value in the facility and the need for as many recreation opportunities as possible.

Here's hoping other local organizations and levels of government get behind the initiative as well.

In the past few years I have sat in council chambers and watched Dysart make recreation a priority in this community. The best example of that was the hiring of a full-time recreation coordinator.

So it is refreshing to see that all types of recreation are being prioritized, and not just popular activities such as hockey.

If the municipality wants to keep young families in the area, or attract new ones, which I know it does, initiatives like the skatepark rejuvenation are key in keeping or bringing in youth.

As was seen this past weekend at the fundraiser, the park provides many health and social benefits for its users.

But most importantly, a facility like the park can bring a community together.

Last week Posti shared those sentiments when he tweeted about the response he had been receiving on the plans for the skatepark.

"When I can't go anywhere in town without people asking about the skatepark. That's community. It's inspiring. We're doing this for all of us."

Inspiring is what it is indeed. Let's hope both the municipality and community get behind this project and get it to its \$100,000 target.



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Cloudscape

by Darren Lum

The gift of gab

GERALD IRISH

A Senior's Moment

THOSE OF YOU WHO KNOW me, know how I love to talk. I talk when I'm happy, when I'm sad, when I'm lonely and when I am feeling depressed. I talk.

Now that I am well into my senior years, I find myself getting more easily frustrated, especially when I am forced to wait, causing me to lose valuable time. I guess that I am afraid that the time I have left is being stolen from me, a bit at a time.

Who do I think I am? What has made me so important that I can't wait? To ease my frustrations, I talk. This helps keep me calm and a better member of society.

During the summer months, when at a grocery store, standing in line while the customer, three people ahead of me, realizes he or she has forgotten to get something and dashes out of line to get the article so badly needed impatience strikes. Everyone behind this person is left in limbo until they return and the line can move ahead again. What do I do? Strike up a conversation with my fellow customers ahead or behind me. This helps calm me and you'd be surprised at the wonderful people I meet.

Frustrations set in when I'm stopped at a street light waiting to

move along on my important, crucial journey. I have so many important jobs. The car or cars ahead of me sometimes appear to be oblivious to lights changing and don't move when they should. I do not honk. I talk. What I say is not worth repeating. I have a conversation with myself.

What makes me think I'm so important that I should not have to wait? I don't. I guess I am afraid of losing my time waiting instead of sharing and learning and loving. I want to spend as much time as possible with my wife and family and the other people I love.

I am selfish when it comes to my time among you. I don't want to waste any.

Talking eases my frustrations. When walking my dogs in the park, I encounter many different people. If possible, I visit with as many as I can. I realize that some of them leave this area, thinking that silly old man, he talks and talks. Yes, he does. I learn. I share. I answer questions. I have always been a spokesman for our beautiful Highlands. I have always told visitors of the benefits of living in this, our county, and our little corner of paradise.

I talk. I stay as calm as possible, for me. Talking helps me stay composed.

I am proud to be a senior, living in Haliburton. I always have been proud to be a Haliburtonian.



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points of view

A little realism, please

SUNDAY WAS A RAINY DAY. So I finally got a chance to watch *The Hobbit: The Battle of Five Armies*.

Because hobbits were involved, it was a short story.

But it was also a good long movie, essentially about a great battle between dwarves, orcs, goblins, elves, evil bats, good eagles, normal men and men who could shape-change into bears. They weren't fighting over nothing, either. No, the armies were vying for a vast dragon's treasure that lay within the dwarven kingdom within the heart of the mountain.

I enjoyed the movie. Right up until this one scene near the end where the dwarf king Thorin Oakenshield finds himself on a frozen lake fighting the orc leader Azog.

That's when the plot started to get a little unbelievable for me.

They are on this high mountain lake that has approximately two feet of good clear ice.

Azog, who has quite the temper, is trying his best to smash Thorin into a pulp with a big war hammer that is attached to the elbow of his amputated arm by a massive chain. The hammer itself looks like it weighs a

few hundred pounds, but being an orc with rage issues, Azog flails it around easily at Thorin.

Predictably, Thorin keeps ducking the hammer while circling Azog. In doing so, he is tricking the orc so that he smashes all the ice around him. The ice island that Azog has created, and is standing on, finally tips and the big orc falls into the lake and is pulled down into the murky depths by his heavy war hammer and chain.

So far so good, I thought.

Unfortunately, the unbelievable part comes next. That's when the

camera pans down and you see Azog floating with his eyes open on his back beneath the clear ice. Seconds later, he sticks a sword through two feet of solid, clear ice and through the foot of Thorin. Azog then smashes through the ice with his fists and lands on the surface feet first to continue fighting Thorin.

Yeah right.

Look, I might not know a lot about fighting dwarves on a frozen lake environment, but I do know a thing or two about thick ice – and this can't be done.

If Azog had a power auger or chainsaw attachment to his arm, I figure he could have made it through in two minutes or so at best. But punching or slipping a sword through?

Clearly the screenwriter has never tried to use an ice pick to chip ice off a large block.

Look, if you could easily stick a sword or punch through two feet of thick ice, the guys around here would have figured that out a long time ago. Why? Because doing this would mean we'd have to carry a lot less gear ice fishing.

To be honest, I can't believe the screenwriters didn't consult with ice anglers on this part of the production. They would have been set straight immediately.

I don't think I'm asking for much when I request just a little realism in our fantasy trilogies. It's not like I'm a fanatic about this.

I've never questioned the wisdom of setting up Lake Town on poles in the middle of a lake and right along the flight path of an unpredictable fire breathing dragon, even though I'm sure the insurance premiums would quickly quash that idea.

Nor did I wonder why they didn't make the bridge that connects Lake Town to the mainland a draw bridge or at least a toll bridge to deter raiding orcs like the ones that caused havoc in the first movie.

That's because somewhere along the way with movies like this you have to suspend your disbelief.

Even so, the limit for me was that scene on the frozen lake. And don't even get me started on the elf archery....



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Loon Tales



pic of the past

It was a tradition in the Chambers family of Carnarvon to go berry picking in mid-August of each year at Trout Lake (now called Sherborne Lake). The excursions were as much picnics for friends and family as an opportunity to gather berries for canning. This photo was taken in 1913. The pictures, as with other photos made during this period, were developed and printed at home and occasionally processed as postcards. Submitted by Bob Chambers

This Week In...

Stories from our archives

1995 (September 12, 1995)

Terry Fox Run only in Minden

It looks like Minden will be the only village in the Highlands hosting the Terry Fox Run this Sunday, Sept. 17.

For the first time since the fundraising event began, no Haliburton volunteer stepped forward to take over the reins from long-time organizer Mike Irwin, who has moved away from the area. A few weeks ago, *The Echo* ran a story asking for a volunteer but apparently there was no response.

Haliburton has hosted a Terry Fox Run since 1981. A rite of autumn was to gather at the Head Lake on a chilly morning as dozens of runners, bicyclists and walkers set off along the boardwalk.

Editor's note: The Terry Fox Run did return to Haliburton and is organized for this Sunday, Sept. 20. See the ad on page 10 for details.



Cecil and the Giant Tomato Stalk?

Lisa Robertson sent in this photo of Cecil Bailey (fondly known as Uncle Bill) and his nine-foot tomato plant. We wonder what his secret is.

BOONiEVILLE



Betty and the Bobs return to Haliburton

ANGELICA INGRAM

Staff Reporter

It all started more than a decade ago when a house party hosted by Soozi Schlanger brought together many musical artists with different backgrounds.

"At the time I was purely a visual artist living with the late Oliver Schroer," she wrote in an email to the *Echo*. "He brought a pile of his musical friends over to our place and we were all jamming and singing old favourites ... I sang the loudest and longest, always wanting to participate in music but never having had the opportunity ... this party was a dream come true."

Some of the musicians at the party included Wendell Ferguson, Katherine Wheatley and David Woodhead and as a result Betty and the Bobs was born.

"I had so much fun as did all of us," she wrote. "And I made the never to look back comment 'hey we should do this more often ... sing the songs we all know and love ... lets get a gig or something, dress up, act stupid.'"

And that's what happened, well the gig part at least, the acting stupid part will be up to audience members to decide this Saturday when Betty and the Bobs performs at the Blister Ball, part of the Hike Haliburton Festival taking place all weekend.

No strangers to the area, Betty and the Bobs have performed in Haliburton County before, both as a group and its individual musicians making solo appearances over the years.

When they're not playing in other

bands or on their own, the musicians come together for camaraderie, music and an old fashion good time.

"This band gives us all the opportunity to see each other once in a while when all of us are busily pursuing our own personal ventures," said Schlanger, who plays fiddle, guitar, washboard and sings. "So we look like we are having fun on stage because we are. It's a big, huge hang out visit and you get to watch."

Pianist and singer David Matheson agrees, having joined the band more than 10 years ago when the former keyboard player left.

"I knew it'd be a great thing to be a part of," he told the *Echo*. "Making music is the best thing to do so add good people to that..."

Matheson is looking forward to the upcoming show, as the crowd is always great in Haliburton, he writes.

"There'll be lots of familiar danceable tunes from the golden age, by which I mean the one that ended in the 1980s, as well as many original hits," he wrote. "Lots of laughs and great musicianship and singing."

Multi-instrumentalist Suzie Vinnick agrees, saying the show will be a great time and will offer the band a chance to get "goofy."

"I enjoy all the different music we get to play, music that we might not normally do in our own solo projects i.e. show-tunes," she told the *Echo*. "And because there are seven of us in the band there's less pressure on us and it makes it a little more comfortable getting goofy."

Original band member David Woodhead said it wasn't a matter of joining the band that formed in the late 1990s, he was



No strangers to the Haliburton Highlands, Betty and the Bobs are performing at this year's Blister Ball, part of the Hike Haliburton Festival taking place this weekend. The group will be sure to have you laughing and up on your feet dancing on Saturday night at the Haliburton Legion. /Photo submitted

just around as it grew.

The singer and instrumentalist said being a part of Betty and the Bobs is fun because it brings out musical sides of himself that even he didn't know existed.

"Being with the other members, they are inventive, interesting musicians each in different ways," he told the paper.

Echoing other band mates, Woodhead said there will definitely be some comic interludes during the concert but assures the music won't be stopped for too long.

"While several of us are excellent songwriters, we also do our favourites from the 1960s and 70s pop music we grew up on, with a few side trips like Cajun fiddle music and Chet Atkins country pickin'," he wrote.

And if one was ever in doubt about enjoying both music and laughs simultaneously then they have never been to a Wendell Ferguson show, as the guitar player always likes to keep things jovial and entertaining.

"When we get together we always have a great time," he writes. "And when the band is having such a great time, then you know the audience is too."

As for participating in the festival itself, most members of the band are unable to commit to hikes at this time, unless there might be other incentives, jokes Ferguson.

"Well I heard there was a Minden pub crawl. Ha!" he writes. "That's the kind of hike that appeals to me. I might do that one..."

The Blister Ball takes place Sept. 19 at the Haliburton Legion at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 or \$20 for Haliburton County Folk Society members and students.

They can be purchased online at www.haliburtonfolk.com or at The Source/Halco Electronics in Haliburton and Organic Times in Minden.

For more information on the festival visit www.experiencehaliburton.com/hike-haliburton/hikes-home.

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Above, Karen "Moon Beam" Warner beats her drum, crouched beside the Turtle Waterfall (also pictured left) at Gaia's Den in Harcourt.



Below, Warner leads Darlene Buckingham, in orange, and Dorothy Mitchell. Warner and Tammy Donaldson will lead Spirit of the Waterfalls later this month as part of the 13th annual Hike Haliburton Festival that offers more than 75 guided hikes and entertainment across the county from Sept. 17 to 20./DARREN LUM Staff



Enriching Highlands hiking

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Staff Reporter

Discover and connect with the beauty of the 13th annual Highlands at the Hike Haliburton Festival from Sept. 17 to 20 with more than 75 guided hike and festival events.

Its diverse mix of informative and entertaining offerings are sure to satiate the young and the young at heart and everyone in between.

One of those offerings is Spirit of the Waterfalls.

A sample of the moderate hike for adults and teens older than 13 at Harcourt's Gaia's Den, which took place last week, includes the staircase-like meandering Turtle Waterfall and an Australian labyrinth.

Led by Karen Warner, known as Moon Beam, the hike takes participants on a journey of the body, mind and spirit. Start by "letting go" of the hectic life and be like a child and bring an open mind.

"Just feel and let yourself experience it," she said.

The certified Hike Ontario hike leader adds this does not guarantee everyone will have all of these levels of connection, but that isn't the point. The most important aspect is to allow people to open a channel to connect with the elements (water, fire, air and earth) of nature.

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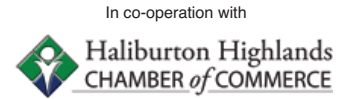
"That's what the Spirit of the Waterfalls is about. What's your experience?" she said.

The four-hour hike also includes hike leader, Tammy Donaldson of South Algonquin Trails. There are three waterfalls visited: Turtle Waterfalls, Freedom Falls and Serenity Falls. It is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 20 and starts at 9 a.m. It is sponsored by Fuji Film Canada Inc.

For more information and to register online for this and other hikes see www.hikehaliburton.com. Also, register by phone at 705-286-1777 or 1-800-461-7677 and emailing tourism@myhaliburton-highlands.com. Get festival maps at the Tourism Information Centre on Highway 35 in Minden.



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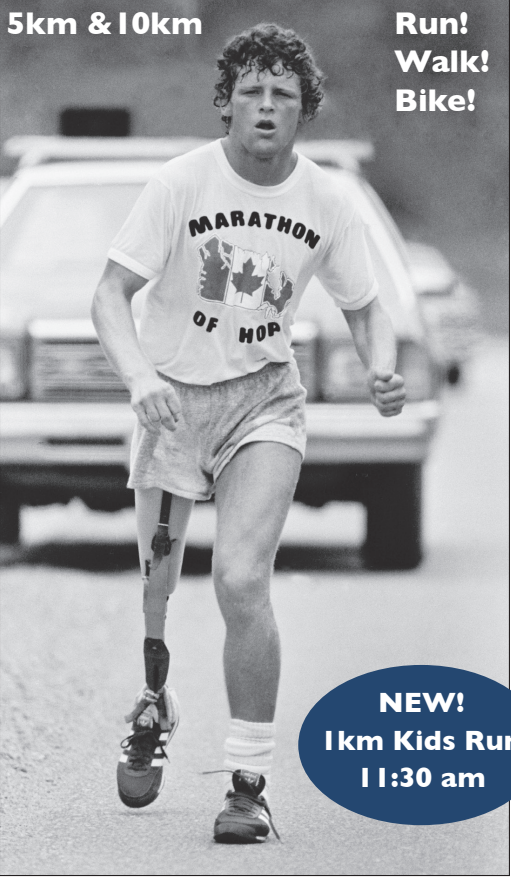


Doors Open in Highlands East

The historic Essonville church was a popular destination during Doors Open Highlands East on Sept. 12 and 13. Built in 1888, the church served as an Anglican place of worship for many years and was decommissioned in the late 1960s. Restored following a period of vacancy, the building is maintained by a volunteer committee. It hosts a Christmas service as well as a memorial service during the summer and can be rented for special occasions.

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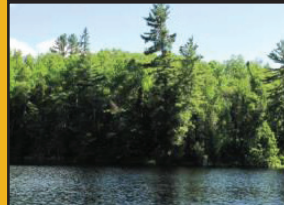
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Dysart raising dollars for skate park

Colin Glecoff pulls to a stop during a fundraiser for a new skatepark in Haliburton on Sept. 12. The event brought out local skaters and their families for an afternoon of tricks. The Municipality of Dysart et al is on a \$100,000 fundraising campaign to build the new Junction Skatepark off Maple Avenue near the library. Contact Andrea Mueller at amueller@dysartetal.ca or 705-457-1740 to donate.

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John Shaw-Rimmington is one of North America's most renowned creators of unique and awe-inspiring dry stone structures. This is the first spiral cairn that Shaw-Rimmington has designed. Photo submitted

Sculpture forest to celebrate installation of Spiral Ascent

On Saturday, Sept. 19, the board of directors of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest is celebrating the installation of its most recent sculpture *Spiral Ascent* designed by John Shaw-Rimmington.

The sculpture is a dry stone spiral cairn and was built under Shaw-Rimmington's instruction by the participants in the dry stone constructions course held by the Haliburton School of The Arts this summer. It stands about eight feet tall and 12 feet in diameter. Although built just a month and a half ago, it looks like an ancient structure from medieval times rising from a knoll in Glebe Park.

John Shaw-Rimmington is one of North America's most renowned creators of unique and awe-inspiring dry stone structures. This is the first spiral cairn that Shaw-Rimmington has designed.

The public is invited to the official unveiling of the sculpture (10:30 to 11 a.m.) at the sculpture site in Glebe Park followed by a talk by Shaw-Rimmington about his new sculpture and his work (11 a.m. to 12 p.m.) in the Great Hall of Fleming College, Haliburton campus location 297 College Drive, Haliburton. This event is also part of the Hike Haliburton Festival. Contact info@haliburtonsculptureforest.ca. Submitted



Recreation opportunities abound

Anne Peacock, who has recently moved to Haliburton from Collingwood, shares a laugh with Haliburton Yoga's Lynda Shadbolt at the 2nd annual Leisure Mart on Friday, Sept. 11 at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. The part-time resident who splits her time between Toronto and the Highlands was looking for recreation opportunities at the one-stop recreation event. It included service clubs, outdoor events and exercise opportunities. /DARREN LUM Staff

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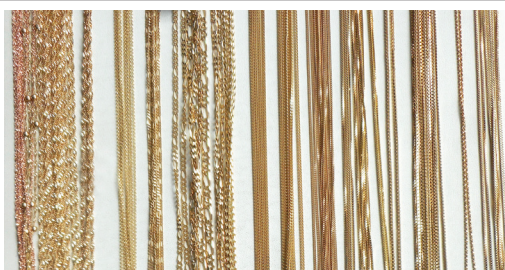
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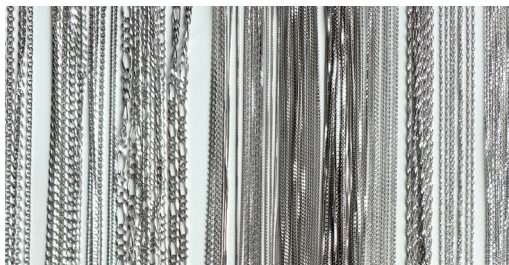
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Sports



The Red Hawks football program is busy with pre-season practices, as seen with the juniors and seniors warming up for drills on Thursday, Sept. 10 at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton. This year the football program's coaching staff has switched. The junior football team's coaching staff has taken over the senior team while the senior coaching staff has assumed the duties of the junior team. / DARREN LUM Staff

Coaching staff switch teams

DARREN LUM
Staff Reporter

When you look to the sidelines of the Red Hawks football games this autumn don't be surprised by who you see coaching. This year the junior coaching staff will take over the senior team and the senior coaching staff will take over the juniors. Last year's junior coach Bruce Griffith and senior coach Tim Davies decided to switch things up, swapping teams.

Local helper Dave Lloyd will assist the junior team with coach Derek Little and Davies. Although Ryan Merritt is stepping away from the program, Raavo Laidla will continue to help Griffith. The junior teams that Griffith and Laidla have coached the past two years now make up most of the senior team. That group won two Kawartha championships and one Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics Championship to earn a berth to the East Regional Bowl game in 2013.



A Red Hawks senior player readies to catch a pass during a pre-season practice last week Thursday at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton. The season schedule has not been released. /DARREN LUM Staff

Notices



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2. To receive the report of the Auditors & Financial Statements
3. The appointment of the Auditors
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Another local joins Wolves

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Red Hawks alumnus defenceman Tanner Hamilton is joining the Haliburton Wolves in time for the team's season and home opener against the Temiscaming Titans this Thursday at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton.

Hamilton, who is from Minden, welcomes the opportunity to not only play in front of a home crowd, but to rejoin good friend and former Red Hawks teammate Curtis Ballantyne.

The two share a strong bond, established from success on the ice and on the court.

He couldn't pass up an opportunity to play hockey again with Ballantyne.

The five-year veteran of the Hawks not only won an all-provincial bronze on the ice for the 2013-2014 season with Ballantyne, but the two also won bronze in doubles badminton for the Red Hawks at the all-provincials just weeks after the hockey success.

Hamilton implores the public to come out and support the newest Greater Metro Junior A Hockey League team.

He said every team needs fans, as players are motivated by them.

With Haliburton being a great hockey town, he expects the support will be there.

Coach Walt McKechnie said the other local players on the team such as Ballantyne, Cole Rowden and Jacob Bishop are excited about the signing of another local player.

McKechnie appreciates the experience and

skill Hamilton brings to the team.

"With the way he can skate he'll be useful in any area," he said.

The quick player with the strong shot gives Wolves' head coach lineup versatility, allowing him to play him at forward or defence, including the special teams.

"He's definitely got experience and we need that," McKechnie said.

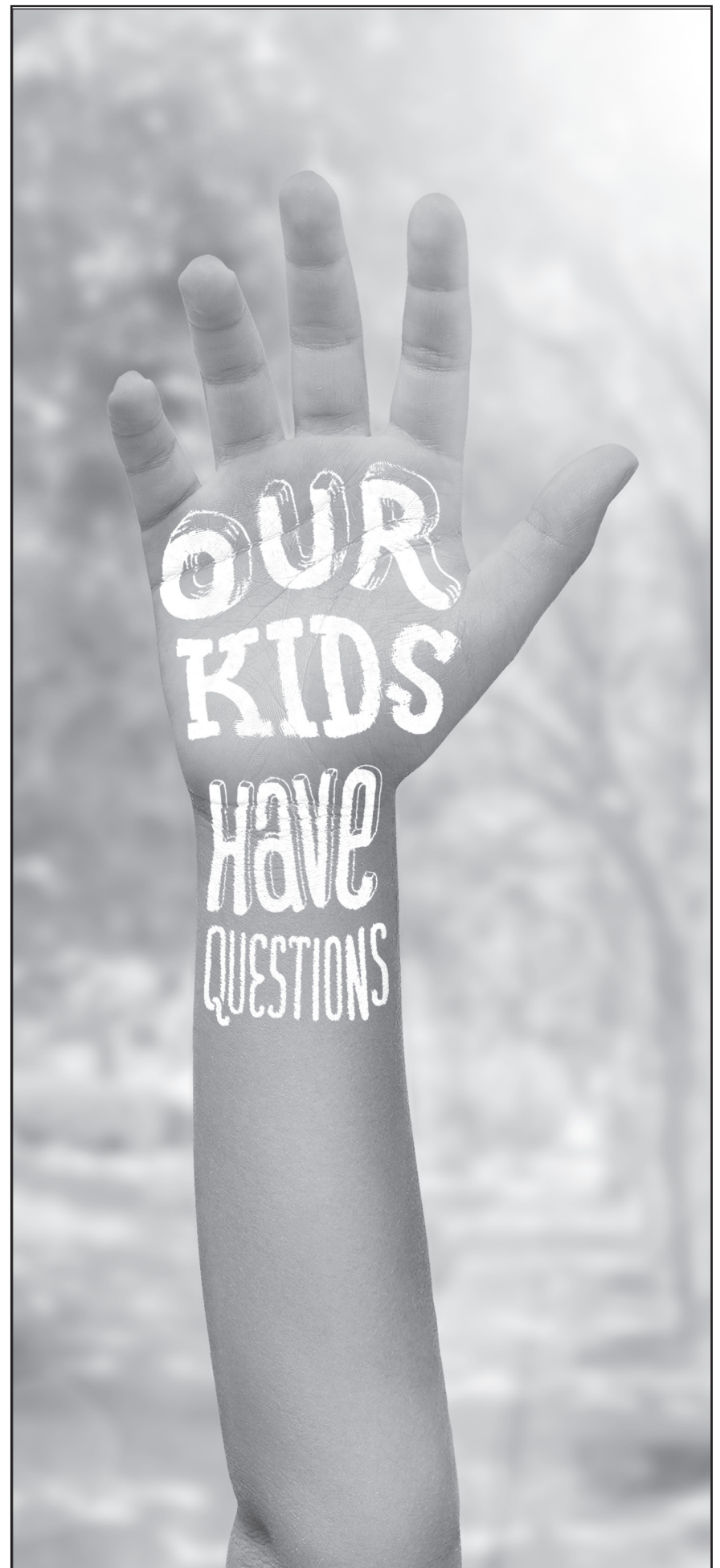
The 20-year-old started the 2014-2015 season with the North Kawartha Knights in the Central Ontario Junior C Hockey League and scored eight points (two goals and six assists) in 18 games. Part way through the season he was traded to the Huntsville Otters of the Georgian Mid-Ontario Junior C Hockey League where he scored 17 points (five goals and 12 assists) in 15 games, including two game winners.

Hamilton appreciated the way he was treated by the Otters, who were a strong team.

"That's what my decision so hard," he said.

He adds besides McKechnie contacting him, Rowden and Ballantyne were also influential in his decision. He's heard of only good things of the league and the quality of the Wolves' program. He believes it will not only enable him to improve, but also possibly get him a scholarship to an American university. He has two years left of eligibility in the GHML.

The team's season opener in Bracebridge last week was cancelled and so this week's home and season opener is at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton and has a 7 p.m. start.



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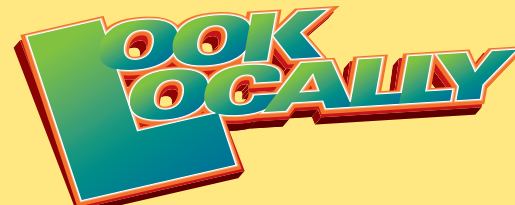
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Red Hawks field hockey alumnus helps program

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The Red Hawks field hockey program is welcoming back a former player into the coaching staff this season.

Kathryn Darling, who played for the Red Hawks from 2001 to 2005 and was known as Kathryn Berube then, is teaching at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School for the autumn semester.

She's happy to be back, helping out with the program as long as she can.

The South River resident is staying with her father and can't completely commit to the team as of yet.

With the departure of head coach Caley Sisson last year, the program's new head coach is Jessica Lloyd supported by Hawks alumnus Darling.

Darling said it would have been great if she could have coached with former teammate Sisson.

The season schedule has yet to be released.



Above, the Red Hawks field hockey program's newest member is Kathryn Darling, who gives instruction on shooting at a practice on Thursday, Sept. 10 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Darling, whose maiden name is Berube, is a former HHSS student and was a field hockey player at the school from 2001 to 2005.

Left, goalkeeper Sydney Cameron makes a save during practice on Thursday, Sept. 10 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School field hockey field. Cameron returns for her fourth year./DARREN LUM Staff

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Where: Fleming College Great Room

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Stuart Baker Elementary School athletic director Jim Hopkins gives a thumbs up on the first day of school just before the bell rang on Sept. 8, marking the start of the academic season. Students were lining up and filling the hallways and classrooms across Haliburton County. ANGELICA INGRAM Staff



Stuart Baker Elementary School teacher Mrs. O'Connor helps Grade 2 student Colton Ansley get organized prior to the start of the first class on Sept. 8. A new student at the school, Colton was getting familiar with his surroundings with the help of his parents and new teacher. Students throughout Haliburton County headed back to the classroom last Tuesday after an extra long summer. ANGELICA INGRAM Staff

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From Monday, Sept. 14 to Sunday, Sept. 20, both the Minden and Haliburton restaurants will be selling freshly baked, chocolate chunk Smile Cookies for \$1 (plus tax) with all of the proceeds going to the VDO.

The initiative raised over \$3,000 for the local charity last year.

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Submitted

Doors Opened in Highlands East despite wet weekend

community news

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Hilda Clark
448-2018

A longtime and well respected resident of Tory Hill, Edith Hoult is being mourned and her long life well remembered and celebrated. Mrs. Hoult died peacefully on Sept. 3 at home with her beloved daughter Betty Lewis.

She was predeceased by her husband Charlie, son Barry and son-in-law Lavern. At the grand age of 94 years Mrs. Hoult had also outlived her parents Johnny and Nellie McColl, her brothers Albert and Freddie, her sisters Kathleen (Norman) Lee and Rosealeen (Ivan) Haywood.

Sympathy is extended to all of her family especially to her daughter Betty who has been a constant presence in her mother's life. May family and friends be there for Betty as she has been for her mother and countless others.

Funeral service, visitation and a reception were held at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home in Minden on Wednesday, Sept. 9.

Cool weather last Saturday and rain showers Sunday may have been a factor in the numbers visiting sites during Doors Open in the various parts of Highlands East. Hosts at most of the 20 sites taking part were kept busy welcoming visitors with information and giving tours. Saturday afternoon seemed to be the busiest time and Sunday morning the quietest. Scanning visi-

tor records from only two, our National Historic Site, the former Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost Nursing Station and my House In The Village B&B, over 75 different individuals had visited during the two days.

Though numbers are of interest learning about the visitors is always exciting for hosts. One couple load up their camper and with information about Doors Open sites across Ontario they enjoy many weekends every year between April and October in various parts of our fine province. I believe they were from Precious Corners in Northumberland County!

It was good to have folks from Oshawa, Huntsville, Cayuga, Ottawa, Stratford, Bowmanville, Strathroy, Mission, B.C., Tweed, Hamilton, Ketchum in Idaho, Orillia, Toronto and Victoria in Australia.

It was just as great having visitors from our own villages and from other parts of Haliburton County. Lots of cottagers too. Thanks for visiting us.

Being involved with Doors Open kept some of us from Heritage Day in Highland Grove last Saturday and from the Plein Air Festival's show and sale of art at the LWMC on Sunday. More news on those events next time.

Now catch your breath and get ready for some fine hikes as Hike Haliburton hits the hills and dales of the county from this Thursday to Sunday. Lots of signs, brochures, Internet listings, etc, to get you out walking. Of the several hikes in this area two easy ones are on Friday: Way Back in Wilberforce Part 1 starts at the Wilbermere Lake Beach at 10 a.m. to hike where settlers first cleared the land to start Wilberforce. Part 2 begins at the Outpost Museum at 2 p.m. for a step back in time as you walk around the village. Check info about Star Trek a Saturday evening walk out of Tory Hill on the IB&O rail trail. Gems Beneath Your Boots, Into Sucker Creek and the Geocaching hikes should be fun. Hike ON!

Guilford residents travel the world

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper
754-2278

For almost a week we had the company of a young friend, Maiké Hurting from Lubeck, Germany who had been with us for a week two years ago. Maiké was working at various farms and in families around Canada then part of the WWOOF-ers: World Wide Organization of Farmers.

In 2013 she was part of the Andy Cooper household, in Duncan, B.C., hence our connection. Since then we have kept in touch with Maiké who has written or phoned us several times from her home. We introduced her to Gunter and Helga Wolm during her time here, a pleasant evening indeed.

Another travel tale is that of Delane and Lyle Sawyer who have just returned from a week's trip to Iceland.

George and Shireen Cooper and son Luke with his friend Nathaline have spent time with us over the past weekend. Thanks to computer magic we saw George and Shireen's pictorial record of their spring month-long holiday in Cornwall, Ireland, Wales and Scotland. It ended with their visit to Shireen's twin sister and family in York before their return.

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If interested in either of these opportunities, please submit a resume in confidence by October 1, 2015 to:

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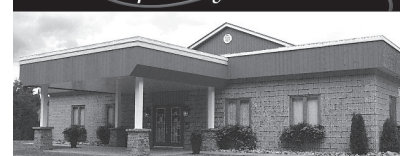
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In Loving Memory of **Wallace Donald Crofts**

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A Graveside Interment Service will be held at the Ingoldsby Pioneer Cemetery on Saturday, September 19, 2015 at 11:00 am. Reception to follow at the Ingoldsby United Church (downstairs). Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Ingoldsby United Church or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation – Palliative Care Unit (HHHSF) would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0.



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In Loving Memory of **Edith Hoult**

Passed away peacefully at home in Tory Hill on Thursday, September 3, 2015, at the age of 94.

Beloved wife of the late Charlie Hoult. Dear mother of Betty and her husband the late Lavern Lewis. Loving grandmother to Gary and his wife Melissa, the late Barry and his wife Annette. Edith will be dearly missed by her great grandson Mark. Dear aunt to Dawson (Cheryl) Haywood, Douglas (Jackie) Haywood, Jack Haywood, Reg (Donna Lee) Haywood and their families. Beloved daughter of the late Johnny and Nellie McColl. Predeceased by her siblings Albert and Freddie McColl, Kathleen and her husband Norman Lee, Rosealeen and her husband Ivan Haywood.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 from 11:00 am until the time of the Funeral Service in the Chapel at 1:00 pm. Reception to follow in the Monk-Cray Family Centre at the funeral home. Interment at South Wilberforce Cemetery.

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Marjory Peel (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Saturday morning, September 12, 2015. Widow of District Sgt. Harry Peel of the Ontario Provincial Police who passed away in 1954 in Niagara Falls.

Also, dearest friend of William Ferguson McDowall who passed away in 1967. She has a dear son John Peel of Haliburton and his wife Barbara-Joy, and her daughter Nancy Peel of London Ontario. She has four grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. She was an up to date member of Branch 129 of the Royal Canadian Legion and the Ladies Auxiliary. Marjory's wishes were to be cremated, which has taken place, and have no funeral service. As expressions of sympathy donations to the to the Haliburton United Church Building Fund would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209.

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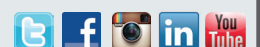
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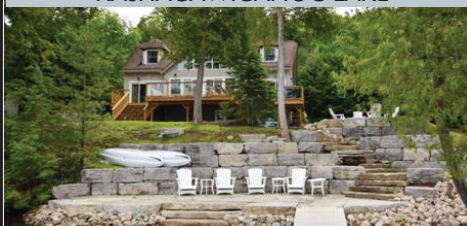
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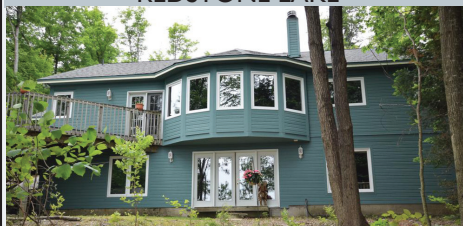
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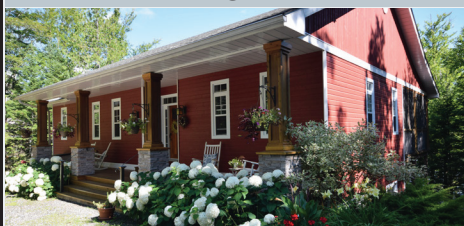
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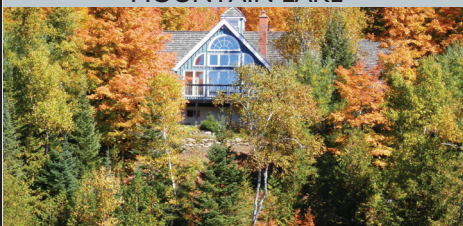
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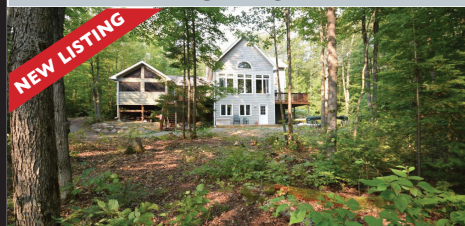
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\$649,000

5 LAKE CHAIN

Prime Location in quiet area of lovely homes. Private treed lot, million \$ view in all seasons. Spacious family home with 3BR up & one down. Scr porch, att garage, recroom, Convenient to village.
\$529,000

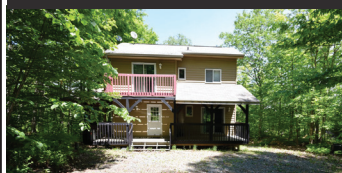


KENNISIS LAKE



4 season. Sunset exposure. Spacious level lot. Oak cabinetry, B/I appliances, cathedral ceiling, 3BR/2Bath. Great shoreline, large dock system.
\$495,000

EAGLE LAKE



Perfect home, cottage or rental property. Awesome lake system & close to Sir Sams. 1.5 Storey, 3 bedrm, full basement.
\$445,000

CANNING LAKE



Privacy on 4 ac & 310' frtg and the 5 lake chain. Log cottage has loads of character. Water's edge Bunkie and a Sauna/Change room. Clean shoreline & pretty lot. Great package!
\$425,000

MISKWABI LAKE



Spacious family cottage. Finished lower level w/3pc, recroom, walkout, spare rooms. Treed privacy, big lake view. Garage. Awesome 2 lake chain.
\$379,500

KENNISIS LAKE



1.5 ac island property. 3 bedroom cottage tucked away in the trees. Very close to the mainland and fantastic big lake view.
\$359,000

PERCY LAKE



Cozy 2BR yr md cottage. Sunny deck, south exposure & gorgeous views. Bunkie. Well treed & private.
\$330,000

LOON LAKE



Level lot, sun all day. Sand shoreline. Great fishing & boating. 4 season 3BR, 4pc bath cottage. Screen porch. Close to Haliburton.
\$295,000

KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE



Traditional 3 season 2BR cottage on Birch Narrows Rd. Great potential & affordable on this 5 lake chain.
\$285,000

PRISTINE REDSTONE LAKE



Beautiful island cottaging. 2BR with character & warmth. Well cared for. Large deck, many upgrades, huge dock, great shoreline. & room to grow.
\$268,500

HORSESHOE LAKE ROAD



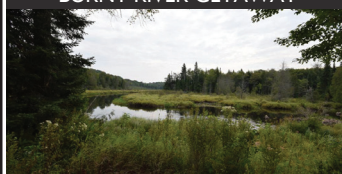
3BR raised bungalow, great location minutes from Minden, beach, rapids & trails. Full finished w/o bsmt, home is freshly painted, new 4pc bath, new flooring going down.
\$239,000

CHARMING HALIBURTON HOME



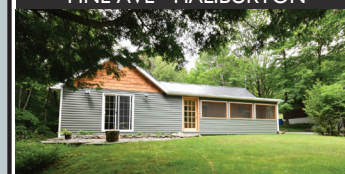
Walk to amenities, great home-business location. 2 stry, 3BR, totally renovated. Clawfoot tub, pellet stove, Covered verandah. Great character.
\$235,000

BURNT RIVER GETAWAY



Hunting/hideaway with 2 room cabin. Just off Glamorgan Rd, hydro nearby, close to Haliburton. 80 ac, river running thru', scenic with over 1750' river frontage.
\$135,000

PINE AVE - HALIBURTON



Newly renovated, great neighbourhood. Nice curb appeal. 3 bedrm, large screen porch. All on one level, landscaped, private back yard.
\$214,000